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FM AMEMBASSY TEHRAN

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 3361

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PLEASE PASS SECDEF

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: PFOR, IR

SUBJ: P-3 FLIGHTS

REF: STATE 203179 (R 262206Z AUG 75)

1. GOI HAS APPROVED PRESS GUIDANCE FOR P-3 FLIGHTS PROPOSED
REFTEL. FOR THE RECORD, ON RECEIPT REFTEL AMBASSADOR ON
SEPTEMBER 3 SENT FOLLOWING LETTER TO MINISTER OF COURT:

QTE YOU WILL RECALL THAT SOME TIME GO THE
GOVERNMENT OF IRAN AUTHORIZED THE UNITED STATES
TO CONDUCT FLIGHTS OF P-3 NAVAL RECONNAISSANCE
AIRCRAFT TO AND FROM BANDAR ABBAS. THESE FLIGHTS
HAVE CONTINUED.

QTE IT IS NOW PLANNED TO REDUCE THE FREQUENCY
OF P-3 FLIGHTS TO 6 TO 8 PER MONTH, EXCEPT DURING
PERIODS OF A SIGNIFICANT UNITED STATES FLEET
DEPLOYMENT IN THE INDIAN OCEAN AREA PROVIDED
YOUR GOVERNMENT HAS NO OBJECTION.

QTE AS IN THE PAST, THESE MISSIONS WILL
BE CONDUCTED ON A CONFIDENTIAL BASIS. SHOULD
WE RECEIVE INQUIRIES FROM THE PRESS ON THIS
MATTER, WE WOULD PROPOSE TO REPLY ALONG THE
FOLLOWING LINES:

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(SEE PARA 4 REFTTEL).

QTE I WOULD BE HAPPY TO DISCUSS THIS MATTER
WITH YOU FURTHER SHOULD YOU FEEL IT NECESSARY
TO DO SO. UNQTE.

2. AMBASSADOR RECEIVED LETTER FROM COURT MINISTER DATED
SEPTEMBER 6 WHICH STATES THE SHAH QTE WAS PLEASED TO
EXPRESS HIS APPROVAL WITH THE TEXT YOU HAVE PROPOSED WITH
REGARD TO P-3 NAVAL RECONNAISSANCE FLIGHTS UNQTE.

3. WE APPRECIATE EFFORTS STATE AND DOD HAVE MADE TO
PLACE THIS OPERATION ON A MUCH FIRMER BASIS.
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